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FOR: MONOUNSATURATED FATTY ACIDS AND

PERHYDROCYCLOPENTANOPHENANTHRENE NUCLEUS COMBINATION MOLECULES, AND THEIR PRECURSORS, AND THE USE OF ALL OF THESE

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Office communication dated 15 October 2009. Applicant was given one months from the date of the Office communication to file this statement. The substance of the interview as stated by the patent examiner is correct.

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for any extension of time necessary to render this paper timely. Please charge any fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0694.

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